GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:142
ANSWERED ON:06.03.2000
RURAL ELECTRIFICATION PROGRAMME
KAMAL NATH;NARESH KUMAR PUGLIA

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has curtailed the power of his Ministry in regard to the rural electrification programme;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the scheme worked out by the Planning Commission for handling of funds in regard to the Rural Electrification Corporation and State Electricity Boards?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER

(SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANGALAM)

(a) to (c) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT
STATEMENTREFERREDTO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c)OF STARREDQUESTIONNO. 142 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 06.03.2000 REGARDING RURAL ELECTRIFICATION PROGRAMME.

(a) : No, Sir. A provision of Rs.460 crores existed in Demand No.69 for Rural Electrification Corporationunder State Plan. This has been retained for the year 2000-2001 but moved to Demand No.30 - Transfers to States and Union Territory Governments as it is a part of the State Plan.

(b) : Question does not arise.

(c) : The loans for rural electrification will be released directly to the states by the Ministry of Finance in consultationwith the Ministry of Power.